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- MS. SKYE MILLER: I missed a great deal of
- 15 what went on and what was said earlier.
- 16 MODERATOR BROWN: If you can lower the
- 17 microphone?
- 18 MS. MILLER: I'm sorry. Since this is going
- 19 on record, I wasn't going to comment. But I want to
- 20 now.
- I'm a college student. I'm also a resident
- 22 here. I vote. I've been voting here since I turned
- 23 18. And I represent a lot of the young people and
- 24 we're really scared about what's going on. One of the
- 25 main reasons I traveled from Las Vegas to come out here

- 1 and see this is, one, I heard it was the very last time
- 2 that we would be able to speak up on it and, two, I
- 3 have a sister who lives in Minnesota and it just so
- 4 happens that they're one of those states that's waiting
- 5 in line on the decision on whether or not Yucca
- 6 Mountain is going to be basically the dumping ground.
- 7 The reason why is because, from what I understand, it's
- 8 just basically sitting in that state and once it's
- 9 approved, it's just a matter of transporting it here.

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10	And I don't like	the idea and I	want people

- 11 to know that I don't think it's fair. I don't think a
- 12 lot of young people are represented. You know, there
- 13 are a lot of older people out here that aren't going to
- 14 see the results of it. It's us young kids and the ones
- 15 growing up that's going to have to live with the
- 16 results.
- 17 And I think a lot more time and study should
- 18 be done and it took me about seven different phone
- 19 calls, including to Senator Reid's office, just to find
- 20 out how to get here to this location tonight, the time,
- 21 the directions. I searched all over the Internet and I
- 22 was doing it for like two hours because I was that
- 23 concerned.
- And I don't feel that you guys put enough out
- 25 there. I seen, during the, after the planes were taken
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- 1 out of the skies for a while, I used to sit out near
- 2 Nellis Air Force Base at, towards the area two and I
- 3 noticed just how many trucks, you know, no labels,
- 4 flammable labels, just come in and out of the, just
- 5 that area alone. And in a matter of like two hours, I
- 6 counted, out of curiosity, about 50. And I have no

7 idea what those trucks are bringing in. 552434

- 8 And it scares me to think that half of us
- 9 don't know what those trucks are bringing in and you
- 10 guys are ready to settle for other peoples' nuclear
- 11 waste here in my backyard. I want to have kids one
- 12 day. And I want those kids to be healthy kids. And,
- 13 yes, this is a desert. But this is the environment
- 14 that this state just happens to have. It doesn't make
- 15 it a wasteland.

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- MS. MILLER: My name is sky Miller. I came
- 19 up earlier, and after sitting here, I don't know
- 20 whether or not I'm more scared from coming or scared
- 21 leaving, because you guys from the DOE offered to
- 22 answer some questions.
- I do have a question on that stuff that you
- 24 have, the storage containers. Are these proposals just
- 25 ideas? Do you actually have something solid and

- 1 concrete that I can look at? You know, where you show
- 2 the layers of the different areas? Can anybody come
- 3 and see them?
- 4 And my other question is, you guys say that
- 5 people will be trained to handle nuclear waste around
- 6 these facilities. What about me? I'm not trained.
- 7 I'm not military. I'm not a soldier. I'm a person
- 8 that just lives in Las Vegas. I go to college. What
- 9 happens if somebody falls asleep at the wheel, what
- 10 kind of training do we need? Can the public get
- 11 special training? Is it free? Is it going to cost us
- 12 anything? I don't have insurance, so, you know, it's
- 13 not like I can go out there, and, you know, figure this

- 14 out. I mean, it took me hours just to get to this
- 15 meeting, and you know, you guys were willing to answer
- 16 my questions about that, but is there something I can
- 17 see? I mean something physical? Is there anything
- 18 that's actually tested?
- 19 I haven't had a chance to look through the
- 20 actual paperwork, but I don't want to be the guinea pig
- 21 for your pet projects, you know. I mean, if these are
- 22 just ideas, I mean you're encasing them in wood? And
- 23 you know, aluminum, from what I saw, and you know,
- 24 various other metals, but this is waste. I mean this
- 25 is stuff that metal things when -- I mean people don't

- 1 even want to get near it, and me living in the city,
- 2 you know, far from a way from it, and I'm not trained
- 3 to handle nuclear waste, what am I supposed to do? If
- 4 I hear it on the news? Who do I call? I can't call my
- 5 police department. You know. Half of them, you know,
- 6 have to go through public relations. So do I have to
- 7 go to public relations to find out what I need to do?
- 8 If there's a nuclear accident, you know, 50 miles from
- 9 my house?
- 10 I live right next to Nellis Air Force Base,

11 right outside the gate, and I don't know anything about

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- 12 nuclear science or any of that. But I had a friend who
- 13 worked at the gas station on base, and just recently
- 14 they had up-earthed everything at the gas station and
- 15 sent some geologists out there that I questioned,
- 16 because I was curious, I wanted to know what they were
- 17 doing. And apparently they said they were checking
- 18 levels of seepage from the gasoline, I guess they keep
- 19 in the tanks underneath that gas station, and they were
- 20 seeing how much was leaking out into like the
- 21 surrounding area. And he wouldn't like comment on like
- 22 the numbers or the figures, but apparently, you know,
- 23 he's, he was sent there to just monitor this. And this
- 24 is just like 25, 30 feet, you know, around the corner
- 25 from my house.

- 1 I just want to know, who do I call? Who do I
- 2 ask? You know. You guys want to answer my questions,
- 3 but I want to see something. I want to see what you're
- 4 going to be protecting me with. I want to be
- 5 comfortable here. I plan to stay here.
- 6 MODERATOR BROWN: Thank you. I think they
- 7 have resource people with each of the displays over

8 here, so I think there's probably someone who can at

- 9 least answer your question, DOE questions. I think on
- 10 the Air Force base, there probably isn't anybody else,
- 11 anybody here at the moment who can help with the Nellis
- 12 Air Force Base question, but maybe some folks who lived
- 13 in the community here can help you out with that.
- 14 Again, other folks with comments?